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by me it deals with the possession and use of explosives. It does not centain sufficient provisions enabling Government to deal effectively with the manufacture, sale, transport, export and import of explosives and important developments connected with explosives. Hence the Bill. It is on the lines of the Act in force in British India. The main principles in the existing Act are maintained intact. I move that the Bill be read in the Assembly.

MR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: I second it.

The motion was put and carried.

SECRETARY: The title of the Bill shall be "The Travancore Explosives Bill".

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: I move that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of.:—

Messrs.
1. E. Subramonia Aiyar,
2. Kottalil P. Abraham,
3. P. C Adichan,
4. M. L. D'Cruz,
5. V. Chandamiah Sahib,
6. C. Jabamony Nadar,
7. M. K. Makar Pillai,
8. N. Ramakrishna Pillai,
9. Kainikkara M. Padmanabha Pillai,
10. K. G. Govindan, and
11. M. Ramiah Pillai.

The Select Committee to report within three months.

MR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: I second it.

The motion was put to vote and carried.

THE GOVERNMENT TRADING TAXATION BILL.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: Sir, I rise to introduce the Government Trading Taxation Bill. It is a very simple Bill and it is intended to enable Government to tax other Governments carrying on business in this State. A similar law is in force in British India and Cochin. The absence of such a law has led to certain difficulties. The Bill is drafted on the lines of the corresponding Britiah Indian Enactment. I therefore move that the Bill be read in the Assembly.

MR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: I second it.

The motion was put and carried.

PRESIDENT: Do you want the standing order to be suspended?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: Yes, Sir.

SECRETRAY: "The title of the Bill shall be "The Government Trading Taxation Bill".

PRESIDENT: The matter is really urgent. There is the possibility of other Government agencies coming and trading here and it is well that this provision is availed of.

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MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: Sir, I move that the Government Trading Taxation Bill be taken into consideration.

MR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: I second it.

The motion was put to vote and carried

Clauses 1 and 2.

The question that clauses 1 and 2 do form part of the Bill was put and carried.

The clauses were added to the Bill.

Preamble.

The question that the preamble do form part of the Bill was put and carried.

The preamble was added to the Bill.

Title.

The question that the title do form part of the Bill was put and carried.

The title was added to the Bill.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: No amendment to the Bill has been proposed and therefore I propose to move that the Bill be passed. But before that there is a slight verbal alteration to be made. In sub-clause (1) of clause 1 after the figure "111" add the figure "5".

The amendment was put to vote and carried.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: I move that the Bill be passed.

MR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: I second it.

The question that the Bill be passed was put to vote and carried.

THE TRAVANCORE REGISTRATION ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: Sir, I rise to introduce the Travancore Registration Act Amendment Bill. As honourable members might see it deals with only two clauses. The first clause is intended to obviate certain difficulties arising from the existing provision relating to the production of documents by authorised agents. It sometimes happens that a document produced by an agent for registration becomes invalid as a result of some defect in the appointment of the agent. This may be discovered only several years after, but it may be too late to rectify the defect. Hence the first clause.

The other clause deals with the deletion of Section 48 of the Act. Section 48 lays down that copies of some indexes should be prepared and kept in the Central Records Office. These records do not serve any useful purpose. The originals themselves are kept in the Registration Office and they are checked by the District Registrar. The copies prepared under Section 48 are swelling the records in the Central Office. These records are not made use of for any purpose, either by the parties or by the Department. Hence it is proposed to repeal this provision. I move that the Bill be read in the Assembly.

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